

## Cleveland Architects

# Charles Schweinfurth

**Birth/Established:** September 3, 1856 **Death/Dissolved:** November 8, 1919

### Biography:

Charles Schweinfurth was Cleveland's preeminent architect of the 1880's and 1890's. He was born, attended public schools, and graduated from high school in Auburn, New York. He worked in architectural offices in New York City from 1872 to 1874 and at the office of the supervising architect of the U.S. Treasury in Washington, D.C. from 1874 to 1880. (Hubbell's obituary says that he came from Boston.) He moved to Cleveland to work on a house for Sylvester Everett, and remained throughout the rest of his life. From 1883 to 1886 he maintained an office with his brother Julius until Julius returned to practice in Boston. In Cleveland he was the architect of many of the Euclid Avenue mansions and was also noted for interior designs that included Old Stone Church and the Cuyahoga County Courthouse. In addition, he was the architect of several buildings for Western Reserve and Kenyon colleges. He was a founder and member of the Cleveland and Brooklyn Chapters of the American Institute of Architects, a fellow in the AIA, and a member of the Architect's League of New York. His architectural work was often featured in the pages of the "Inland Architect" and "American Architect and Building News". He had an honorary M.A. degree from Kenyon College and was a member of the Union Club. Initially his office was in the Blackstone Building however he moved to the New England Building upon its completion in 1896. He first resided on Cedar Avenue and then at 96 Arlington Street (now 2269 East 49th Street). He built a home that he designed in 1894 at 1951 East 75th Street. His brothers Julius and H. G. Schweinfurth owned a firm in Boston. Another brother, Albert, was active in Denver, and later, San Francisco. Charles Schweinfurth is buried in Auburn, New York.

### Building List

| Structure                                  | Date    | Address                   | City      | State | Statue     |
|--|---------|---------------------------|-----------|-------|------------|
| Peter Hitchcock Residence                  | 1886    | 3411 Prospect Avenue      | Cleveland | OH    | Demolished |
| Lennox Building                            | 1886    | 1947-83 East 9th Street   | Cleveland | OH    | Demolished |
| George Pack Residence Remodelling          | 1887-89 | 3307 Euclid Avenue        | Cleveland | OH    | Demolished |
| Calvary Presbyterian Church                | 1888    | 7850 Euclid Avenue        | Cleveland | OH    | Standing   |
| J. R. Owens Residence                      | 1888    | 1956 East 75th Street     | Cleveland | OH    | Standing   |
| Marcus Hanna Residence                     | 1888    | 10400 Lake Road           | Cleveland | OH    | Demolished |
| Edward Haines Residence                    | 1888    | 1820 E. 65th Street       | Cleveland | OH    | Demolished |
| William Chisholm Residence                 | 1889    | 2827 Euclid Avenue        | Cleveland | OH    | Demolished |
| Residence for Julius E. French             | 1889    | 2525 Euclid Avenue        | Cleveland | OH    | Demolished |
| Addition to Christopher Emery Residence    | 1889    | 2172 East 40th Street     | Cleveland | OH    | Demolished |
| Samuel Mather Summer Residence ("Shoreby") | 1889    | 12023 Lakeshore Boulevard | Bratenahl | OH    | Standing   |
| Young Mens Christian Association           | 1889    | 2111-55 East 9th Street   | Cleveland | OH    | Demolished |
| Richard Coleman Residence                  | 1889    | 3050 West 14th Street     | Cleveland | OH    | Standing   |
| Ralph Cobb Residence                       | 1889    | 6203 Euclid Avenue        | Cleveland | OH    | Demolished |
| John S. Culley Residence                   | 1890    | 1810 East 19th Street     | Cleveland | OH    | Demolished |

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| Ralph Gray Residence  | 1890      | 6812 Carnegie Avenue       | Cleveland | OH   | Demolished |
| Double Residence for Dr. Z. T. Dellenbaugh Residence - 1890 | 1890      | 3612-8 Prospect Avenue     | Cleveland | OH   | Demolished |
| H. B. Nye Residence   | 1890      | 1906 East 75th Street      | Cleveland | OH   | Demolished |
| Roadside Club House   | 1890      | 9100 St. Clair Avenue      | Cleveland | OH   | Demolished |
| Interior National Bank of Commerce                          | 1890      | 816-24 Superior Avenue NW  | Cleveland | OH   | Demolished |
| University School   | 1890      | 7115 Hough Avenue          | Cleveland | OH   | Demolished |
| People's Savings and Loan                                   | 1891      | 1700 West 25th Street      | Cleveland | OH   | Demolished |
| Infants Rest (Inner City Nursing Home)                      | 1891      | 9014 Cedar Avenue          | Cleveland | OH   | Standing   |
| Addition to the Unon Club                                   | 1891      | 716 Euclid Avenue          | Cleveland | OH   | Demolished |
| Charles B. Parker Residence                                 | 1891      | 1521 Euclid Avenue         | Cleveland | OH   | Demolished |
| Gibbons - Pickett & Company Market                          | 1891      | 105 Prospect Avenue        | Cleveland | OH   | Demolished |
| Horace Corner Residence                                     | 1891      | 1895 East 105th Street     | Cleveland | OH   | Demolished |
| William H. Boardman Residence                               | 1891-2    | 3608 Euclid Avenue         | Cleveland | OH   | Demolished |
| Homer Osborn Residence                                      | 1892      | 7017 Euclid Avenue         | Cleveland | OH   | Demolished |
| Ursuline Convent  | 1892      | 2444 East 55th Street      | Cleveland | OH   | Demolished |
| H. R. Hatch Residence                                       | 1892      | 8415 Euclid Avenue         | Cleveland | OH   | Demolished |
| St. Joseph Seminary   | 1892      | 17307 Lake Shore Boulevard | Cleveland | OH   | Demolished |
| Samuel F. Haserot Residence                                 | 1892-3    | 7224 Euclid Avenue         | Cleveland | OH   | Demolished |
| Western Reserve College Physics Building                    | 1894      | 2060 Adelbert              | Cleveland | OH   | Demolished |
| Cleveland Telephone Company Building                        | 1894      | 235-43 Champlain           | Cleveland | OH   | Demolished |
| Charles F. Schweinfurth House                               | 1894      | 1951 East 75th Street      | Cleveland | OH   | Standing   |
| J. W. McClymonds Residence                                  | 1894      | 210 4th Street, NE         | Massillon | OH   | Standing   |
| Telephone Exchange Building for Cleveland Telephone Company | 1894      | 5601 Carnegie Avenue       | Cleveland | OH   | Demolished |
| Trinity Church Home   | 1895      | 2227 Prospect Avenue       | Cleveland | OH   | Standing   |
| Library for Adelbert College                                | 1895      | 2010 Adelbert Road         | Cleveland | OH   | Demolished |
| McAllister Dall Building                                    | 1895      | 23-45 Public Square        | Cleveland | OH   | Demolished |
| Lewis Bailey Residence                                      | 1895      | 1926 East 89th Street      | Cleveland | OH   | Demolished |
| Albert Withington Residence                                 | 1895      | 7111 Euclid Avenue         | Cleveland | OH   | Demolished |
| D. R. Hanna Residence                                       | 1895-6    | 7404 Euclid Avenue         | Cleveland | OH   | Demolished |
| Backus Law School   | 1896      | 2145 Adelbert Road         | Cleveland | OH   | Standing   |
| L. S. & M. S. Railroad Bridge over West Boulevard           | 1896      |                            | Cleveland | OH   | Standing   |
| Addition to University School                               | 1896      | 7213 Hough Avenue          | Cleveland | OH   | Demolished |
| Biology Building - Case Western University                  | 1897      | 2080 Adelbert Road         | Cleveland | OH   | Standing   |
| Double dwelling for Jacob D. Cox and Lucretia Prentiss      | 1898      | 3407-11 Euclid Avenue      | Cleveland | OH   | Demolished |
| David Norton Residence                                      | 1898      | 7301 Euclid Avenue         | Cleveland | OH   | Demolished |
| Cleveland Country Club                                      | 1899-1900 | 90 Eddy Road               | Bratenahl | OH   | Demolished |
| Bridges over Martin Luther King Drive                       | 1899-1900 |                            | Cleveland | OH   | Standing   |
| Allen Residence   | 1900      | 8811 Euclid Avenue         | Cleveland | Ohio | Demolished |
| First Presbyterian (Old Stone) Church Spire Addition        | 1900      | 91 Public Square           | Cleveland | OH   | Standing   |
| Florence Harkness Chapel                                    | 1900-02   | 11200 Bellflower Road      | Cleveland | OH   | Standing   |

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| Trinity Cathedral   | 1901-7  | 2200 Euclid Avenue         | Cleveland         | Ohio | Standing   |
| Haydn Hall  | 1902    | 11106 Bellflower Road CWRU | Cleveland         | Ohio | Standing   |
| Hanna Hall (Kenyon College)                                     | 1902    | 204 College Road           | Gambier           | Ohio | Standing   |
| Store for Dr. Allen   | 1904    | 1244 - 60 Euclid Avenue    | Cleveland         | OH   | Demolished |
| Mary Chisholm Painter Gate                                      | 1904    | 11211 Euclid Avenue        | Cleveland         | OH   | Standing   |
| Railroad Arch Bridge over Edgewater Parkway at West 58th Street | 1905    |                            | Cleveland         | OH   | Demolished |
| Union Club  | 1905    | 1201 Euclid Avenue         | Cleveland         | OH   | Standing   |
| Charles L. Pack Residence remodelling                           | 1906    | 3307 Euclid Avenue         | Cleveland         | Ohio | Demolished |
| Samuel Mather Residence   | 1907-10 | 2605 Euclid Avenue         | Cleveland         | OH   | Standing   |
| Cuyahoga County Courthouse Interior                             | 1907-12 | 1 Lakeside Avenue          | Cleveland         | OH   | Standing   |
| Morley Chemistry Laboratory                                     | 1908-10 | 2090 Adelbert Road         | Cleveland         | OH   | Standing   |
| Alumni Library at Kenyon College                                | 1910    |                            | Gambier           | OH   | Standing   |
| Dr. W. T. Corlett Residence Addition                            | 1910    | 3618 Euclid Avenue         | Cleveland         | OH   | Demolished |
| Slippery Rock Pavilion  | 1911    |                            | Youngstown        | OH   | Standing   |
| Morrills Residence  | 1911    | 11025 Magnolia Drive       | Cleveland         | OH   | Standing   |
| Glen Allen (Estate of Mrs. Dudley Allen)                        | 1913    | 3505 Mayfield Road         | Cleveland Heights | Ohio | Demolished |
| Rebuilding of John Severance Residence ("Longwood")             | 1917    | 3616 Mayfield Road         | Cleveland         | OH   | Demolished |
| Florence Harkness Chapel addition                               | 1917    | 11200 Bellflower Road      | Cleveland         | OH   | Standing   |

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